

FOR THE BUSY MAN

NEWS EPITOME THAT CAN SOON
BE COMPASSED.

MANY EVENTS ARE MENTIONED

Home and Foreign Intelligence Con-
densed into Two and Four
Line Paragraphs.

WAR NEWS.

Total Prussian losses to August 24
in killed, wounded and missing were
1,740,836, according to an Amsterdam
newspaper.Germany's fleet of Zeppelins have
been repainted a leaden gray, same
as the color of battleships, which ren-
ders them difficult to be seen even
when flying beneath the clouds.To make it possible for all soldiers
who receive a furlough at the front
to visit with their families, the Ger-
man government will grant free trans-
portation to man of every rank until
the end of the war.The French aviator Eugene Gilbert,
who escaped from Switzerland, where
he was interned after flying over
Swiss territory, has surrendered him-
self to the Swiss authorities by order
of the French government.Passengers on the Holland-Ameri-
can line steamer Ryndam, arriving in
Amsterdam, bring a report that a
British transport with 2,000 Canadian
troops on board, was torpedoed off
Scilly islands on August 15. It is
said about 1,000 men were saved.The British employed 100,000 in
their attacks on Turkish positions on
the Gallipoli peninsula, according to
a dispatch from Constantinople to the
Berlin Frankfurter Zeitung. The cor-
respondent estimates that since Aug.
6 the British losses have been in ex-
cess of 50,000.No business has been hit much
harder in Constantinople by the war
than the newspaper business, and
every monthly, weekly and daily pa-
per owned by foreign interests, with
one lone exception, has gone under.
Five still are published in some lan-
guage other than Turkish, but four
of the five are Turkish-owned.

GENERAL.

Seven persons, including Thomas
Heard, progressive party leader, were
killed by roadblock poisoning in
north Indiana.All New York newspapers charac-
terized that settlement of the Ger-
man-American situation as a great
victory for the United States and for
President Wilson.Iowa progressives, while taking no
active stand on national politics, de-
cided to put full state and county
tickets in the field in Iowa next year,
at a conference held in Des Moines.German business men have trans-
mitted to the United States an offer
to buy 1,000,000 bales of cotton. The
price offered was 15 cents a pound,
payable on delivery of the cotton in a
German harbor.L. C. Dyer of St. Louis, a former
past department commander of the
organization in Missouri, was unani-
mously elected commander-in-chief of
their annual convention at Scranton,
Pa.William H. Taft, who, as president
of the United States, turned the first
spade of earth on the site of the
Panama-Pacific exposition, burned the
mortgage on the exposition at the
ceremonies held September 3, "out of
debt day."The Suez canal has passed three
and two-fifths as many ships so far
this year as used the canal last year
and the receivers' tolls were four and
five-eighths times the receipts of the
Panama canal during the first year's
operation of the latter.The strike of 1,500 carpenters of
Newark, N. J., and its suburbs for an
increase of fifty cents per day has
virtually been won by the strikers.
Nearly fifty per cent of the men have
gone back to work, their employers
having signed the new scale.Federal aid in the rebuilding of the
Galveston causeway, wrecked by the
recent hurricane, will be asked of the
next session of congress, it was an-
nounced by Congressman A. W.
Gregg of Houston.Announcement was made at Los
Angeles that "Bon Bolt," a carrier
pigeon, had established a new long
distance flight of approximately 2,200
miles, from Norwalk, O., to Los An-
geles. It made the trip in five days,
nine hours, thirty-one minutes and
ten seconds.The Cobb county grand jury re-
ported at Marietta, Ga., that it was
unable to find enough evidence, after
two days' examination of witnesses,
to indict anyone for the lynching of
Leo M. Frank.The 1915 edition of the Chicago city
directory will indicate a population of
2,500,000, it was stated. The Johnsons
—10,000 of them—lead numerically,
as they have for the last two years,
and are closely followed by the An-
dersons and the Smiths.Two furnaces in the mill of the
American Steel Foundry company at
Granite City, Ill., which has been
closed for nearly two years, were
started and 1,200 men were given em-
ployment. The company expects to
start more furnaces soon.The machinists employed in two of
the shell departments at the Brooks
plant of the American Locomotive
company at Dunkirk, N. Y., which is
turning out shrapnel for the allies,
went out on a strike. The men de-
mand increases in wages.The Seattle Evening Sun, which af-
ter suspension of several months, re-
sumed publication four months ago,
the employees having obtained posses-
sion of the plant by means of labor
claims, has again ceased publication
and a trustee was appointed to wind
up the affairs of the paper.William F. McCombs, chairman of
the national democratic committee,
announced at New York that he had
appointed Eugene M. Reed of Man-
chester, N. H., as a member of the
finance committee of the democratic
committee to succeed A. Mitchell Pal-
mer of Pennsylvania, resigned.

SPORTING

Governor Mason, a bay horse from
California, won the 2.10 trot for a
purse of \$1,000, the feature event on
the card at the Great Western circuit
races in Des Moines. He won in
straight heats.The Los Angeles team, with a score
of 2.294 in a possible 2.500, won the
interclub military rifle shoot in July,
according to an announcement by the
National Rifle association.Jim Thorpe, famous football star of
the Carlisle Indian team, regarded by
many as the world's greatest athlete,
has been secured to assist Coach
Chlidis in coaching the Indiana uni-
versity football squad this year.Chris Jordan, heavy middleweight,
proved himself a wonder in his bout
with Owen Dalley, lightweight cham-
pion, at Friend, Neb. He had con-
tracted to throw Dalley two falls in
ninety minutes. He did the work in
fourteen and thirteen minutes.Over a track which trainers esti-
mated to be from three to four sec-
onds slow, Directum I paced a mile
in 2:02 1/4 at the Grand Circuit meet-
ing at Empire City park in Yonkers,
N. Y. Before the trial all experts
thought he would do well to beat
2:04.The unconditional release of Pitch-
er "Chief" Bender was announced by
the management of the Baltimore
Federal league club. Bender was for-
merly with the Philadelphia Ameri-
cans and for years ranked as one of
the most famous pitchers in the
game.By swimming two miles with the
current of the Mississippi, at St.
Louis, Grace Stewart, a 16-year-old
school girl, lowered by twelve min-
utes the record for the course and
won the fourth annual two-mile swim
for women, conducted by the Missou-
ri amateur athletic association.

WASHINGTON.

Secretary Garrison announced that
the War department had determined
not to re-establish the divisional
army camp at Texas City, Tex., de-
stroyed by the recent storm.Millions of dollars worth of lands
in the Imperial Valley of California
that were withheld long ago by the re-
clamation service, involving many
claims of squatters, are to be adjust-
ed soon by the interior department.Postmaster General Burleson an-
nounces that \$49,000,000 will be pro-
vided for rural delivery service for
fiscal year 1916, or \$4,000,000 less
than this year's \$53,000,000.President Wilson went to a theater
party September 2, for the first time
for more than a year. He was per-
suaded to go as a relaxation from the
work he has been doing recently on
foreign problems.State department dispatches report
a revolt of Carranza garrisons at
Frontera and San Juan Bautista,
Mex. The governor and some other
officials escaped to Vera Cruz. The
inter-oceanic railroad from Vera Cruz
to Mexico City, was cut August 28,
but the main line remains open.Passage of a general water power
bill and a measure to create a na-
tional leasing system for coal, oil and
other resources on public lands, will
be recommended to congress in Sec-
retary Lane's annual report.Instructions were sent to Ambassa-
dor Page at London by the state de-
partment to secure detailed informa-
tion as to relaxations in the enforce-
ment of the British order in council
against American commerce, which,
assurances have been given, will be
forthcoming.

WILL ABROGATE LAW

STATE OFFICERS TO DISREGARD
GERDES ACT OF 1911.

FOOD COMMISSION CONTINUES

Expenses Will Be Paid and Excess
Turned Over to Treasurer—Offi-
cials to Keep Close Check.Lincoln—Avoidance of the special
legislative session plan for meeting
State Treasurer Hall's refusal to pay
food commission warrants has tenta-
tively been agreed upon by state offi-
cers. The plan appears to have suf-
ficient legality, and what is more,
will not be assailed by the companies
which have bonded the treasurer to
the extent of a million dollars.It is very simple as contemplated.
The governor, auditor and secretary
of state will keep a check on funds
handled by the food commissioner and
the latter will be his own banker, pay-
ing his running expenses as they are
incurred and at the end of his pres-
ent administration of the office turn-
ing over to the treasury what excess
there is.Thus the food commission will not
be put out of business. It can run as
before and there will not be the least
let-up in the good work which it has
been doing every day and every hour
of its existence.The state treasurer will not bring a
suit, in all probability, to compel the
food commissioner to turn the funds
into the treasury. To do so would be
to invoke the Gerdes law of the 1911
session—a statute which some of the
attorneys about the city say is uncon-
stitutional. With the check of the
three state officers on the funds and
with the assurance of the treasurer's
bonding companies that they would
not disturb him for following this pro-
cedure he would have no object in at-
tacking the method.Legislative sentiment is in favor of
the special session. Senators Howell,
Bedford and Saunders were said to
have stated that they would be here
if necessary and be glad to come to
straighten matters up. One or two
out-of-the-state lawmakers suggested
that the supreme court commission
appropriation could be made also at
the session and this would correct an
oversight of the regular session.

Board Saves Thousands.

A total of \$2,959,269 appropriated
for every possible use of the fifteen
state institutions under the board of
control was not all needed. Of the
sum a total of \$275,290 will revert to
the state strong box. The period cov-
ered by these appropriations is from
January 1, 1913, to August 31, 1915—
or two years and eight months. The
showing is a remarkable one in many
ways. It demonstrates the usefulness
of the board of control in superintend-
ing the affairs of the institutions and
investigation shows that better care
has been given the inmates than un-
der the old way of handling these af-
fairs.

August Good for Pool.

Although the month of August is
generally considered a slow month
for business, Secretary of State Pool
was able to take in fees totalling up
to \$10,940.76, an increase over the
same month of last year of \$4,171. Ap-
plications for automobiles showed
3,473 new ones for the month, not
counting renewals. Many are believ-
ed to be neglectful of the require-
ments of the law and are believed to
be running under their old numbers.
Where not paid up the numbers are
given to new applicants and many
may now have unauthorized numbers.

Crop Outlook Good.

The exceedingly heavy rainfall in
the state of Nebraska this summer has
made good crops, notwithstanding re-
ports of damage, according to the
summary of the state agricultural
board just issued.Corn—In the fields located in the
bottom land there have been some
losses in corn crops because of the
excessive rainfall. The periods of
sunshine in the last few weeks have
caused rapid growth in corn and the
yield promises to exceed that of last
year.Wheat—Threshing is in progress
and more wheat is moving. The
wheat that has been placed in the
stack is in excellent condition. Owing
to the wet weather and the condi-
tion of the roads, few reports of
yields have been received.Oats—Oats are reported in excel-
lent condition with every prospect of
a substantial yield.Alfalfa—Alfalfa cuttings have been
generous and the main difficulty of
the growers has been to avoid the
frequent showers.

Issues Restraining Order.

The state railway commission has
issued an order prohibiting the con-
struction of an electrical transformer
in the city of Aurora by the electric
company of that place and York.

Trustees Work Near State Farm.

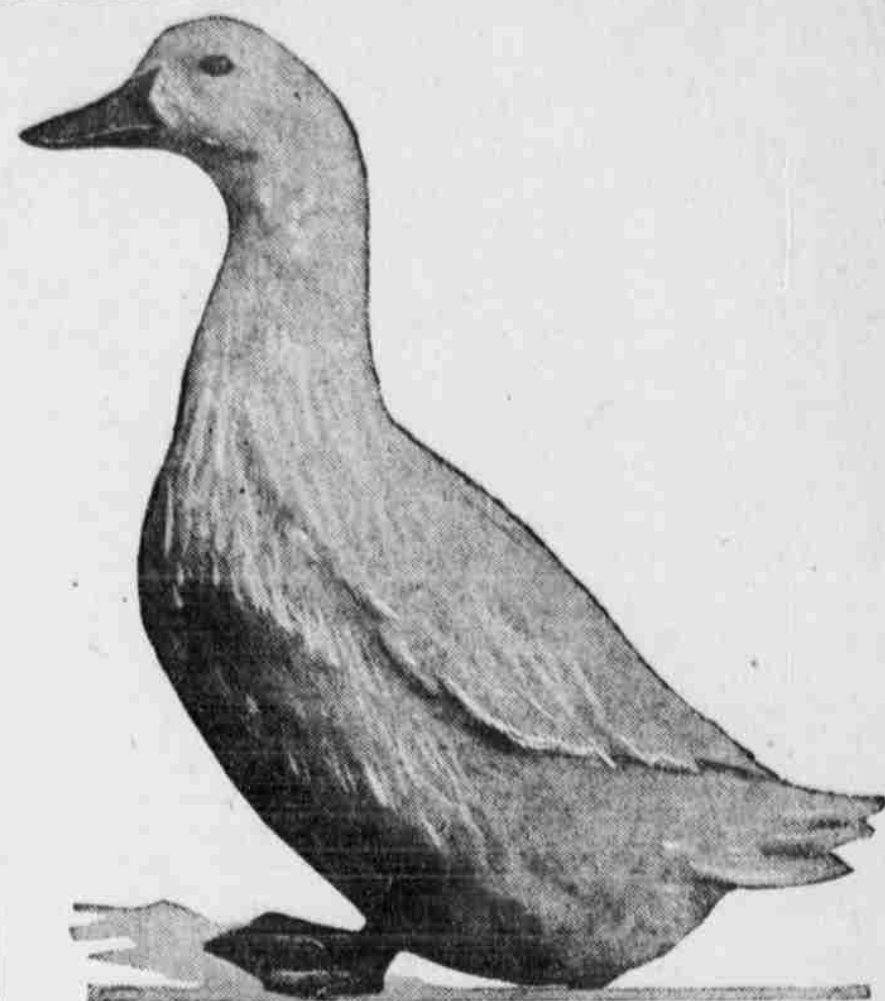
Thirteen of the forty trusty con-
victs at the penitentiary were con-
veyed to the state farm, where the
first prison convict good roads camp
in the state was formally inaugurated.
The men will work paving the road
past the state farm campus.

CONDENSED NEWS

OF INTEREST TO ALL.

Cedar Bluffs' new postmaster is W.
F. Nick.Hyannis will celebrate Home day,
September 24.A new German Alliance body has
been formed at Glenvil.Fire destroyed the Needham, Doten
& Brooks building at Albion.George M. Sandusky has been ap-
pointed postmaster at Sterling.Lincoln will have a policewoman
added to the force after October 1.Old settlers of Garden county will
hold a picnic at Oshkosh, Septem-
ber 11.Boys of the State Industrial school
at Kearney are planning a tennis
tournament.A light frost visited the vicinity of
Beatrice last week. No serious dam-
age was done.Preparations are being made for the
Southwest Nebraska Fair to be held
at Maywood, October 11 to 15.A number of cases of hog cholera
have been discovered in the neigh-
borhood of Liberty, Gage county.Ceel Mathews, editor of the River-
ton Review, has been appointed de-
puty collector of internal revenue.John F. Bixby, formerly editor of
the Genoa Leader, is now associate
editor of the Osceola Democrat.Richard Howard, 9, son of F. J.
Howard of Fremont, died from in-
juries sustained when he fell out of
a tree.The Cedar County State bank, cap-
italized at \$35,000, a new institution,
will be opened in Hartington Septem-
ber 15.The Nights of Gageco, which re-
cently formed an organization in Bea-
trice, have decided not to give a
festival this fall.Members of the Fremont city
council voted unanimously in favor of
buying a tractor and street grader for
use in that place.The German-American alliance of
Nebraska will hold its sixth annual
convention in Omaha, October 5 and
6, at the German Home.The town of Laurel voted \$12,000
for a municipal electric light plant.
The intention is to start the work as
soon as the bonds are sold.The total rainfall in the Beatrice
vicinity from January 1, 1915, to
August 1, according to Weather Ob-
server Palmer, was 29.59 inches.Robert rest, residing near Rock-
ford, Gage county, has just completed
threshing his oat crop which yielded
fifty-three bushels to the acre.The large elevator of the Central
Granaries company at Holdrege was
completely destroyed by fire. The
company will rebuild at once.The fees collected by Secretary of
State Pool in August aggregated \$10,
940.76, an increase of \$4,171 over the
amount paid during August last year.The Neligh National bank has en-
larged its directorate to take in new
business men and capital which will
extend its operations in that locality.A proposition to vote \$10,500 bonds
for the installation of a water works
system at Cortland was defeated at
a special election by a vote of 30
to 39.Three car loads of walnut logs were
recently shipped from Sidney to the
Singer Sewing Machine company of
Illinois. Several more will be shipped
soon.Forty-five new members were added
to the Modern Woodmen camp at Has-
tings in an initiatory affair, attended
by scores of members from surround-
ing towns.Petitions, signed by 3,650 voters,
protesting against the operation of
the jitney traffic regulation ordinance,
have been received by the Omaha
commission.The board of education of the vil-
lage of Cortland has accepted plans
for a new school building to be erect-
ed within the next few months. It
will cost \$12,000.According to figures furnished by
Secretary Bernecker of the State
Board of Assessment, it costs the
state of Nebraska \$214,822.03 to as-
sess the property of the state this
year."For Christ and Omaha," "Come
Clean for Christ," "God Wills It."
Three immense posters, the largest
four by thirty feet, and blazoning the
foregoing inscriptions have been hung
in the Billy Sunday tabernacle in
Omaha.Wilbur W. Anness of Dunbar, a for-
mer republican member of the Nebras-
ka legislature, in a talk predicted that
Henry Ford of Detroit will some day
very soon be elected president of the
United States.The first copies of the Exeter En-
terprise will be presented to the
state historical society by W. J.
Waite, one of the early editors of
Exeter, Secretary Paine of the society
has received a letter from him offer-
ing to make the society a present of
the early volumes.The state conference of the United
Brethren churches will be held in
York commencing September 22.With the largest acreage of lagoons
in recent years bringing countless
flocks of ducks, Adams county hun-
ters have kept the county clerk at
Hastings busy lately issuing licenses.Rejecting the Hastings Gas com-
pany's proposal of immediate sale,
the city council chose October 5 as
special election date on which citi-
zens will pass on the proposed fran-
chise renewal reducing present rates
about 25 per cent.

PEKIN DUCK EXCELS ALL OTHER BREEDS



Pekin Duck, Hardy and Useful.

(By MRS. DE LAUNEY MEERSCH.)

After about three years of perse-
verance and hard work, remunerated
with good profits from chicken eggs,
as my husband is a great breeder of
fine cattle, and our well cultivated
grounds having a large portion of
well-kept meadows for his cattle to
roam on, and finding that around us
was a great demand for duck's eggs
and young ducklings for table pur-
poses, I appropriated part of a
meadow and tried my hand at breed-
ing and rearing ducks; which I shall
never regret having undertaken, as it
is now carried on more extensively
than was the case when I first started.This is owing in some measure to
the fact that instead of the demand
for ducklings ceasing, as formerly,
after the green peas are over, it con-
tinues up to October and indeed al-
most the entire year.The prejudice that many farmers
have against ducks is dying out and
it is found that provided they are fair-
ly treated, they certainly prove as
profitable as other varieties of poul-
try.But do not be impressed with the
delusion that ducks will, like geese,
live to a great age and be as prolific
when ten years old as they are at
two. To make my profits from duck-
keeping, in which I succeed extreme-
ly well, both out of their eggs and sell-
ing young ducklings, the stock birds
are to be young; as far as possible
consist of March-hatched birds, and
never more than two years old.Keep a drake two years of age, mat-
ing three ducks to each drake, for
breeding. All ducks that are selected
are broad-backed birds, not excessive-
ly heavy or large, as I find that big
birds seldom lay well and their eggs,
as a rule, are infertile.

Even as I commenced with a small

run for ducks, I kept them to great
advantage. I started with a piece of
ground 12 by 6 yards fenced in, in
which I maintained 20 ducks as a
start and kept them in health and
show condition. A cemented pond
5 by 5 feet was provided, one foot
deep, but the water was changed
twice a week. A small, low house was
erected, the floor of which was strewn
with straw, which was often changed.In feeding my ducks, which were
thus far kept in confinement, their
first meal was composed of meal and
middlings, mixed into a crumbly paste
with hot water, and in the evening
whole grain is given, alternating oats,
wheat or barley, so as to make a
variety.These grains are always thrown
into a pan of water, in the bottom of
which is placed some sand or grit, and
this must not be omitted as it helps
to keep them in condition and is a
great help to digestion. Broken up
oyster shells and old, pounded mortar
is also given them.A little meat three times a week I
find very advisable, as well as grass
and other green foods. When I hatch
a brood of ducklings for the table I
never keep them too long before they
are killed and they are invariably
ready for selling for eating at ten
weeks of age. If kept longer they
soon commence to moult and lose
feath.There are many varieties for me
to select from and I tried several. The
Aylesbury I found to grow and ma-
ture quickly, and of good quality of
flesh, but the Pekin excels all others,
both for eggs and flesh.And a cross between the Aylesbury
and Pekin I found to produce as hardy
useful duck as can be wished for. But
after all, as I increased my stock to
a large extent, I weeded out all but
the Pekin, which pays me better.

CARING FOR TURKEY FLOCKS

Fowls Should Not Be Encouraged to
Loaf About Kitchen Door for
Tid Bits—Feed Regularly.Turkeys should not be encouraged
to come about the kitchen door for
tid bits. The health of this fowl re-
quires that it exercise. Far better
have a flock of turkeys that come up
only at roosting time than a flock
hanging around the kitchen door.
Feed regularly twice a day when the
range fire is gone, and give all the
sour milk that can be spared, says
Wallace's Farmer. See that they
have no lice, and that their roosts are
free from mites. They should be
sheltered in an open shed, but better
roost in the trees than in the chicken
house unless conditions are unusually
favorable and ventilation good. Tur-
keys are very susceptible to bad air
and poor ventilation. They will come
down with roup if allowed to roost
over damp droppings in a dirty house.Do not try to fatten in confinement.
If they are to be marketed, let them
eat corn with the pigs, and see that
they have all they can eat for the
three or four weeks just before
Thanksgiving. A dose of epsom salts
given once a month is good for the
flock. Give a teaspoonful to every
two birds in the mash. Provide plenty
of grit and charcoal, and all the
onions available—tops and bulbs as
well.

Clean Eggs.

The poultry man finds at times that
he cannot wash every stain from his
basket of eggs with water but by rub-
bing the stains with home-made cider
vinegar every trace of the blemish will
be removed and leave the egg clean
and shining. He should always be
careful that his eggs are clean when
he takes them to market. If he does
not receive a higher price for clean
eggs than for dirty ones, he certainly
ought to.

Give Scraps to Fowls.

Be sure to feed the table scraps to
the fowls. Milk is one of the best
feeds for egg production.

AVOID DISEASE IN POULTRY

Practical Methods for Prevention and
Treatment Given by Agricultural
Department Expert.Dr. George Byron Morse, United
States department of agriculture, has
given practical methods for the pre-
vention and treatment of disease in
poultry that can be conveniently fol-
lowed on most farms. We summarize
them here:

1. Clean out by giving Epsom salts.
2. Clean up by spreading powdered
air-slacked lime.
3. Clean the water supply by add-
ing permanganate of potash.
4. Clean the food by preventing
contamination or heating.
5. Clean the eggs by dipping in
grain alcohol.
6. Clean incubators and brooders
by scrubbing with hot water and soap.
7. Clean the breeding by using
young females.

GOOD DIET FOR THE TURKEY

Little Raw Meat and Onions Chopped
Finely Is Recommended—Dust
Bath Must Be Provided.Give the turkeys a little raw meat
every day; also finely chopped onions
or other tender green food.Keep plenty of grit within their
reach.Mashed potatoes, cooked turnips,
and cold rice will always be in or-
der.Too much hard-boiled eggs will
cause bowel disease.Remove the coop to fresh ground
often in order to avoid filth.
Fine gravel, ground shells and a
dust bath must be provided.

Poultry-House Foundation.

In building a foundation for a poul-
try house, that will keep out rats, it
is best to go about two feet below the
surface of the ground.

Mistake in Henhouse.

A henhouse without a south win-
dow is a mistake, and will not give
satisfactory results.